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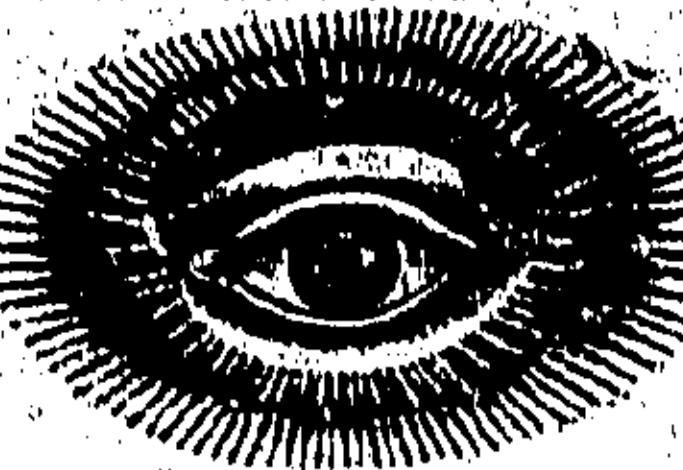
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A GREAT SUCCESS.

London, Jan. 7. The London-New York wireless telephone service was formally inaugurated to-day, the first message to be heard in New York being the chimes of St. Paul's striking a quarter to two sent through a special telephone fixed in the south tower of St. Paul's. Thereafter Sir George Murray, Secretary of the General Post Office, conversed with the President of the American Telephone and Telegraph Company; and the service was then opened to public use.—Reuter.

Expectations.

London, Jan. 7. A post office official said that the public wireless telephone service from London to New York progressed most satisfactorily. Ten calls were made in the first 1½ hours. He expected the service to continue till eleven o'clock in the evening. When the normal service is opened to-morrow calls will be taken between 1.30 to 6 p.m. The atmospheric conditions were very troublesome about sunset, and the engineers would not put a call through unless they could guarantee a clear line.—Reuter.

OFFICIAL REPORT.

Heard Clearly on Both Sides.

Rugby, Jan. 7. The conversation between Sir Evelyn Murray, Secretary of the General Post Office in London and Mr. Walter Gifford, President of the American Telephone and Telegraph Company in New York, which inaugurated the British-American wireless telephone service, is stated officially to have been heard clearly on both sides and to have been on the whole fairly satisfactory.

London subscribers who subsequently had a conversation with New York go farther than this and report complete satisfaction. A London newspaper director, who conversed with a New York newspaper proprietor for eight minutes, declares that not once had either asked the other to repeat anything. "It was like speaking to London suburb, only much clearer."

Mr. Walter Gifford and Sir Evelyn Murray both dwell in their conversation on the important effects which the service would have in facilitating business and promoting social intercourse between Great Britain and the United States and in generally strengthening the ties between the two countries.

Mr. Walter Gifford remarked:

"Through the spoken word aided by personality of voice the people of New York and the people of London will become neighbours in a real sense, although separated by thousands of miles."

Sir Evelyn Murray recognised that difficulties still had to be overcome before the trans-Atlantic service could attain the standard of regularity and reliability which was aimed at. But he was convinced that there was no better means of solving these difficulties than by putting the service to the crucial test of daily use.

Greetings were exchanged by the new service between the Mayor of New York and the Lord Mayor of London. The Mayor of New York expressed his conviction that world commerce would be given an added impetus by this new channel of communication between the worlds of the two greatest commercial marts. The Lord Mayor of London said: "The city of London in its long history has been associated with many great events but none more wonderful than this in which, through means of modern science, two cities are brought within sound of each other's voice. For many years past the need for closer communications has been insisted upon as a means of developing the essential brotherhood of the English-speaking races and now as if by magic we have been brought, through the instrumentality of the telephone into that real touch that we all of us desire so much."

The service was opened at 1.45. Operators in New York actually

SNATCHER CAUGHT.

THEFT OF "MALWA" LADY'S
HANDBAG.

CHINESE BROKER, PRAISED.

Yet another bag snatcher has been brought to book.

Mr. Fan Shiu-nam, a broker in the firm of Messrs. W. R. Loxley and Co., was congratulated by the Police Magistrate this morning on effecting the arrest of a snatcher who made off yesterday with property belonging to a lady passenger on board the P. & O. "Malwa" as she was taking a walk in town.

Mr. R. E. Linzell observed

that Mr. Fan was to be highly commended for his public spirit

and it was a pity that there were not more like him.

Caught After Long Chase.

Accused was not caught until after a long chase along Peel Street into Queen's Road Central and Hing Lung Street. Mr. Fan was in a rishie when he noticed the thief running, with Mrs. Rosa Fischer in pursuit. He jumped out and held the fugitive until the Police arrived.

Mrs. Fischer had eight gold rings in her bag, as well as two purses, a silk scarf, valued at \$132, two £1 notes, and a 50-sen Japanese coin.

His Worship imposed sentence of nine months' hard labour and twenty strokes of the birch. If prisoner is found medically unfit for the birching, he will serve an additional three months.

On the application of the Police yesterday, Mr. T. W. Ainsworth, the Kowloon Magistrate, remanded for a week the Chinese charged with snatching the handbag of Mrs. J. Barros Maher, a Portuguese lady, a few days ago, at the junction of Nathan and Jordan Roads.

The prosecution intends to ask for committal to the Criminal Sessions.

INDIAN FLIGHT.

LONDON TO KARACHI IN
11 DAYS.

Rugby, Jan. 7. Sir Samuel Hoare is due to leave Karachi for Jodhpur to-day by the De Havilland Hercules biplane by which, in company with Lady Maud Hoare, he has flown from London in eleven days.

Preparations are being made for receiving Sir Samuel at Delhi tomorrow.

Lady Maud's flight is the longest yet undertaken by a woman—British Wireless Service.

"Moths" Great Achievement.

Rugby, Jan. 7. The two small "Moth" aeroplanes are now within a single stage of India, having arrived from Jask at Charbar yesterday. Their flight from London is the most remarkable ever undertaken by low-powered machines.—British Wireless Service.

GRENADE BOMBS.

THREE BENGALI YOUTHS
ARRESTED.

Calcutta, Jan. 7. Three Bengali youths have been arrested and remanded in connection with the discovery of thirteen "grenade" bombs, two revolvers, and ammunition, in a house in Calcutta.—Reuter.

PERAK POWER.

HYDRO-ELECTRIC CO.'S
MANAGER.

London, Jan. 7. Mr. John Ferguson, electrical engineer of the East Indian Railway, has been appointed General Manager of the Perak River Hydro-Electric Power Company in Malaya.—Reuter.

THE WEATHER.

North-west winds, fresh; fine—is the official weather forecast till noon to-morrow for Hong Kong, the adjacent coast and Formosa Channel.

heard first of all not a human voice but the bells of St. Paul's Cathedral chiming the time. A special telephone had been fixed for the purpose in the south tower of the Cathedral.—British Wireless Service.

"UP TO" CHEN.

Promise to Maintain Law
and Order.

POSITION IN HANKOW.

British Action Endorsed
At Home.

London, Jan. 7. Authoritative circles in London consider the promises of Mr. Eugene Chen to maintain law and order in the British Concession in Hankow as an asset. The opinion is expressed that it is "up to" Mr. Chen to prove that the Cantonese Nationalist movement is law-abiding and worthy of recognition.

SITUATION TENSE.

Banking Business Closed
Down.

Shanghai, Jan. 8. A message from Hankow dated 1 p.m., Jan. 7, states that the situation is most tense.

Business with Banks has totally closed down in spite of Nationalist assurances as to the keeping of law and order.

Further developments are anxiously awaited.

Reuter's correspondent, with others, is confined to A.P.C. premises by pickets but they expect to be liberated very shortly.

The situation at the other concessions is not clear though the evacuation of women with children is advised.—Reuter.

tion by the Powers; therefore some confidence is felt that he will carry out his undertaking.

It is understood that the higher authorities in London entirely approve of the action taken in Hankow, which was taken on the entire responsibility of the local British authorities who are competent authorities. They express the opinion that they acted wisely in choosing the alternative of an attack by a mob with Cantonese troops protecting the British to a possible attack by a mob aided by Cantonese troops.—Reuter.

U.S. OPINION.

Tribute to British
Tact.

New York, Jan. 7. The whole Press is following with intense interest the dramatic developments in China, to which even Mexico and Nicaragua are within a single stage of taking a second place. The remarkable tact and forbearance of the British naval authorities in most difficult circumstances are emphasised on all sides.

The majority of the newspapers point out that the Hankow disturbances are a strange commentary on the liberal tone of the recent British memorandum.

The "Herald-Tribune" says: "The State Department has been reserving its answer to the British Note and by a curious coincidence the riots broke out almost at the moment when the Chairman of the Foreign Affairs Committee of the House of Representatives was introducing a resolution which would orient American policy more or less in the British direction. The resolution will now be examined in the lurid if confusing light of Hankow. Intervention looms more and more large as the tale of the incidents mounts up."—Reuters' American Service.

AMERICAN ADMIRAL

Ordered To Go to Shanghai.

Washington, Jan. 7. Admiral C. S. Williams, Commander-in-Chief of the Asiatic Fleet, has been ordered to Shanghai "to observe and report on conditions."

Navy Secretary Wilbur said that Admiral Williams would use his own judgment in regard to the number of ships he would take with him.—Reuters' American Service.

NO REASON FOR PANIC

But Americans Will Evacuate

Hankow, Jan. 7. Mr. Eugene Chen met the leading Americans at three o'clock

ART TRIUMPH.

FLEMISH AND BELGIAN
EXHIBITION.

WORTH \$15,000,000.

Rugby, Jan. 7. At Royal Academy to-day private view was held of exhibition of Flemish and Belgian art organised by Anglo-Belgian Art Union. There are 764 exhibits and they include paintings, sketches, drawings, and pieces of sculpture. They are not confined to one period, for in fifteen rooms and galleries there are works by artists of the Flemish school of the year 1,400 and by artists of all periods down to the post-war era.

An official expressed the opinion that if the exhibits came into market at least \$15,000,000 sterling would be realised. They have been assembled from Belgium, Holland, France, and United States as well as this country. King George has sent seven "pictures" from Royal Palaces; the King of the Belgians has lent Bruegher's "Antwerp Cathedral" and many British noblemen have contributed. The exhibition is declared to be a triumph.—British Wireless Service.

this afternoon to discuss the position. He assured them that there was no reason for panic, declaring that the Nationalist Government could control the situation.

Later, the majority of the American community decided to evacuate.

A meeting with the British with a similar object was a fiasco, only one person attending besides Mr. Goffe. Only one feeling prevails here, namely, utter lack of confidence.—Reuter.

Troops Watch Constable.

Shanghai, Jan. 8. A Japanese report from Hankow dated Thursday, says that the flag is not flying at the British Consulate-General. From this morning the Consulate premises are being watched by Chinese troops, and the Consul-General is staying therein.

British residents still in Hankow are taking refuge in the Hong Kong Bank and A.P.C. buildings, which also are being watched by Chinese troops and picked.

The British Concession is at present being governed by a Committee five selected from members of the local Kuomintang.—Reuter.

LOCAL REPORTS.

"Evacuation is Completed."

"Evacuation is completed" states a Naval wireless message received in Hong Kong from Hankow.

In Kiukiang also, all have been evacuated, according to Naval wireless messages. The Consulate has been officially sealed. The British flag has been hauled down, and committed to the care of the Chinese military authorities.

This morning, the new Admiral, Sir Reginald Yorke Tyrwhitt, left for Nanking by H.M.S. "Despatch."

Naval authorities are unable to confirm rumour that the British forces have landed at Hankow and that the Concession has again been taken over by arrangement.

[Nanking is near the mouth of Yangtze River, above Shanghai, but below Kiukiang. It is the capital of Kiangsu province, and some distance below Hankow.]

"INTOLERABLE."

Looting General at Kiukiang.

Shanghai, Jan. 8. A Kiukiang message of yesterday states:

The position is absolutely intolerable, looting being general, mostly by soldiers.

The authorities are utterly unable to control the situation.

The British Concession has been evacuated. All the British are safe on board the gunboats.—Reuter.

EARLIER CABLES.

"A Word to Mr. Chen."

London, Jan. 7. The "Daily News," in "A Word to Mr. Chen," hopes that he will make good his pledge to "keep the situation in hand." There is (Continued on Page 12.)

DYNAMITE STOLEN.

Dynamite fuses and detonators valued at \$40 were stolen from a building contractor's matched at Aberdeen village yesterday by robbers armed with revolvers.

The miscreants are believed to be fishermen who wanted the explosives for fishing operations.

KAILAN MINING ADMINISTRATION.

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E. R. HALLIFAX
Secretary for Chinese Affairs
Hong Kong, 8th January, 1927.

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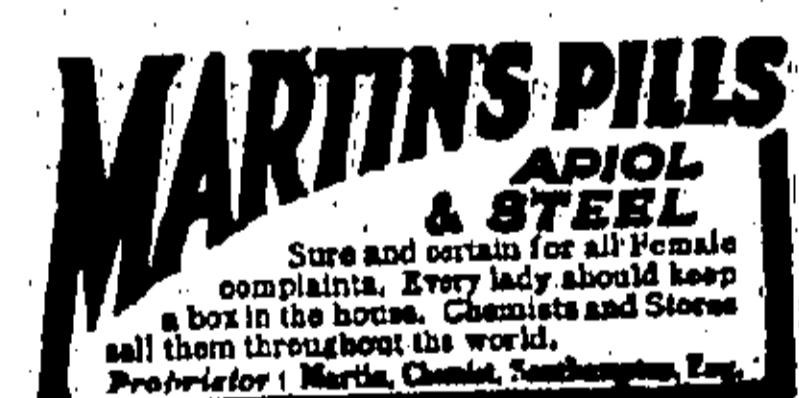
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(St. David's Society, Hong Kong.)

THE President and Members of the Committee of the Society will be AT HOME to all members of the Society and their Welsh friends at the Chamber of Commerce Room, City Hall, on TUESDAY, 11th January, 1927, 5.30 p.m.—7.30 p.m.

G. S. HUGH-JONES,
Acting Hon. Secretary,
9, Queen's Road Central,
Hong Kong, 8th January, 1927.

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Hong Kong, 7th January, 1927.

NOTICES.

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SHAREHOLDERS are reminded that the EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the above Company of which notice has already been given will be held at the Hong Kong Hotel on January 10th, 1927, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon for the purpose of confirming the Special Resolution which was passed at the same place and time on MONDAY, the 20th day of December, 1926.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers.
Hong Kong, 5th January, 1927.

HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

RACES close on SATURDAY, 22nd January, 1927, at 3 p.m. and must be sent to the Secretary, c/o Linstead & Davis, Alexander Buildings, on or before this date.

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Hong Kong, 7th January, 1927.

THE HONG KONG LAND INVESTMENT AND AGENCY COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the THIRTY-NINTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in this Company will be held at the Offices of Messrs. JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD., on THURSDAY, 27th January, 1927, at noon for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1926.

The REGISTER of SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED from FRIDAY, 14th January, to THURSDAY, 27th January, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors.
L. S. GREENHILL,
Secretary.
Hong Kong, 6th January, 1927.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of CHINA PROVIDENT LOAN AND MORTGAGE CO., LTD., will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, St. George's Building, Chater Road, Victoria in the Colony of Hong Kong on THURSDAY, the 20th day of January, 1927, at 2.30 o'clock in the afternoon for the purpose of receiving a report of the proceedings of an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company held at the same place on TUESDAY, the 4th day of January, 1927, and to confirm, if thought fit, as Special Resolution the following:

"That the regulations contained in the printed document submitted to the Meeting and for the purpose of identification subscribed by the Chairman thereof be approved and adopted as the Articles of Association of the Company in substitution for and to the exclusion of all existing Articles thereof, save that in the proposed new Article 87 the number of Directors be increased from seven to nine and in the proposed new Article 89 the remuneration of \$7,000.00 per annum be increased to \$9,000.00 per annum."

A copy of the proposed new Articles of Association of the Company with the alterations, amendments and differences between the existing and new Articles incorporated and indicated in red ink can be seen during the usual business hours at the Registered Office of the Company aforesaid.

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THE NEW OUTLOOK.

BANDITS EXECUTED.

CAPTURES BY CANTON'S GUNBOATS.

GOVERNMENT EXPEDITION.

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Seizure of Arms.

Over a score of robbers, belonging to a large gang by name of "Wo Tong Tong," who have made a living by plundering the inhab-

ited world is at the end of one Age, and at the beginning of a New Age, the age of practical brotherhood, when all mankind will know themselves as a family, and the law of brotherhood will be the law of human society. And it will be clear to every thoughtful observer that it is to the young that we must turn for the effective shaping of that New Age. But their power to shape that New Age will very largely depend upon the nature of the education they receive.

Sharing in Happiness.

Already they are showing susceptibilities to high ideals; are breathing great aspirations, but we have still those, who are elders, to perform for them the duty of not cramping them in their education; of giving them freedom to show out the new qualities which they have brought with them through the gateway of birth, which will make them citizens of a great and noble type, self-sacrificing rather than grasping, co-operative rather than competitive, having learnt to share their younger brethren in the all-human family and not only for their own ends.

It is the young who will build a better Society, who will understand the causes of poverty and eliminate them until they see all around them sharing in the possibilities of happiness, which are now restricted too much to the few.

Things do not really come with a sudden jump. People are rather blind to the signs that are not manifest on the surface.

If we study the world conditions of to-day, there are, amidst the old civilisation crumbling into ruins, many hopeful signs which presage the beginning of the New Age.

Youth's Great Federation.

I just mention that great movement of young people all over the world known as the "World Federation of Youth" which is in all the countries of the World joined by young people who have realised the necessity of world-brotherhood, of world-service and of world-peace and who passionately desire to work for these great ideals, for in their hearts the young amongst us have realised that we are all one human family, and that the sufferings and misery of one, are really a drawback for humanity, hence the new ideal of world citizenship, for the welfare of all, beyond the petty national, racial and social limitations. The New Age proclaims every one religion as "man's search for God," that they differ from each other merely in the outer form and shape, but everyone of them conveys fundamentally the same eternal truths, although adapted to the needs of the time, when the World Teacher comes, and adapted also to the one special aspect of divine perfection which every religion and the new civilisation founded upon it are intended to develop.

Nature & Equality.

We have to learn and to understand the fact that all the products that nature brings forth are different in their power, in their qualities, in their characteristics.

Nature does not give us equality, neither physically, morally, or spiritually. Yet, there is true equality when we come to the Spirit of Man, man's essential divine nature, for in that we find the One ness with all men for all are equally Divine, in their possibilities and final goal of perfection. But in the vehicles in which that Spirit clothes itself, everywhere there is the mark of non-equality and difference.

The Best Opportunity.

In education we also see great changes taking place. It is being recognised now that the best education would be that which gives the child the fullest opportunity of expressing itself and its inherent natural gifts, instead of being made to express and to grow into a ready made pattern, which fetters its soul. That education is best which increases the speed of his evolution by growing, as much as is possible during this life period, in everything that increases his good and noble qualities, and eliminates the lower qualities of the personal self. He will then become a good citizen, fit to live in the society of his fellows, and to bear his share of the common burden.

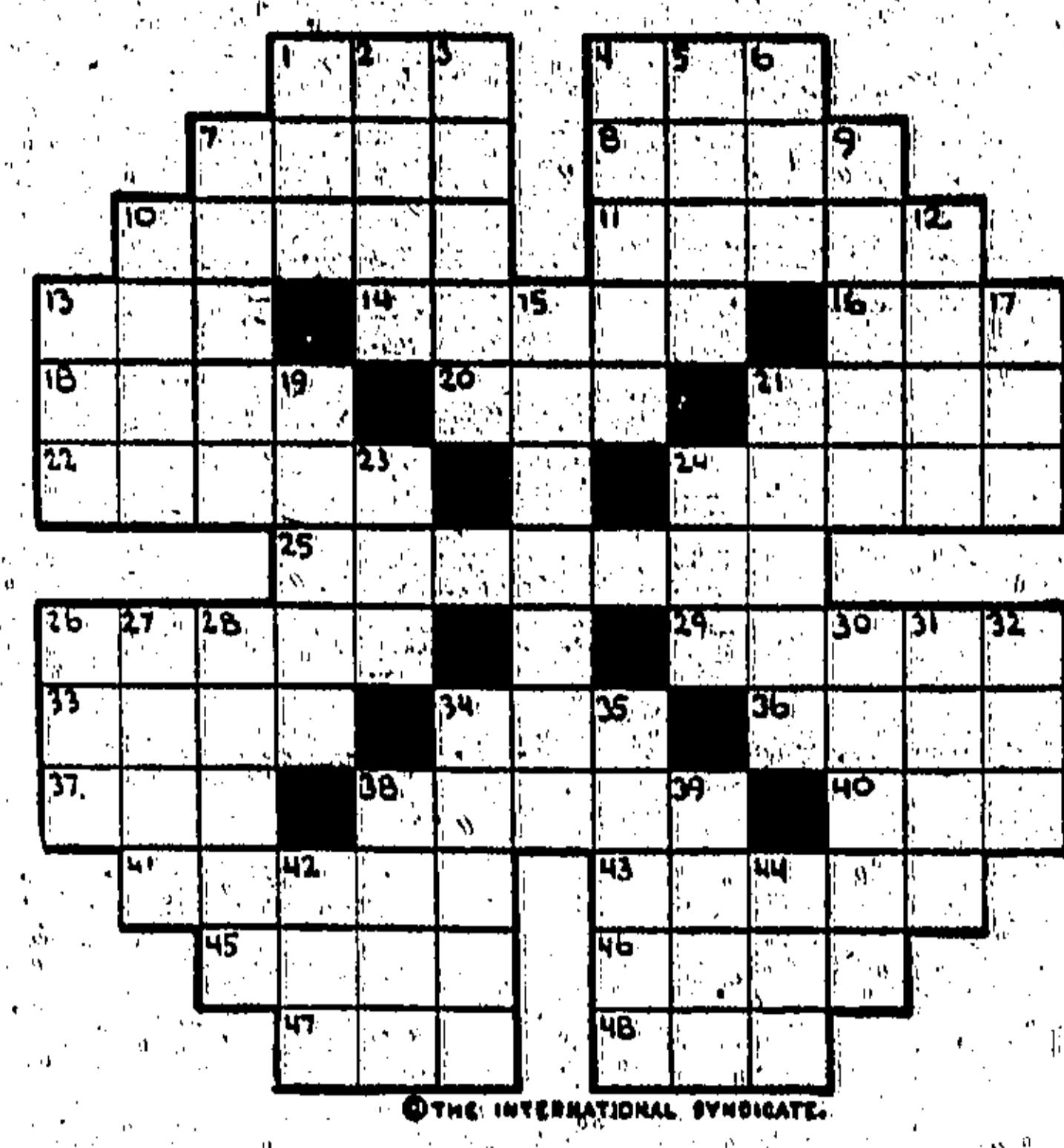
Culture and Refinement.

We see in Ancient Athens and Rome before their downfall the same high ideal of citizenship, but the culture, the refinement, the art and the wonderful order of life of the Athenians and Romans was on the ignoring of the rights of citizenship of large masses of their subjected fellowmen, and therefore education in right citizenship with its rights and duties for all is the sign of the New Age. Whether you will come or not, an enormous change is coming over the social horizon.

It is sometimes called Democracy, but Democracy itself needs to be refined. In any case it is going to be a society where

OUR CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert, but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, plow, and alcho.)



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HORIZONTAL (Cont.)		VERTICAL (Cont.)
1-Mist	36-Olden times	15-Highest part
4-Pig-pen	37-A small portion	16-Perilous
7-To tow or drag	38-Urn-like vessel	17-Nickname for
8-Caro	40-A turn-out;	Edward
10-Not so good	41-Lasses	18-Stream
11-Ranked	43-Ascended	21-Coin
13-Light brown	46-Walked	22-Cover
14-Tall candle	48-To be busy	24-Titling of address
15-Large commercial	49-Cut with an axe	25-Usual
16-Vehicle	50-Warred	27-Abraids
18-Scare	51-Provided with a	28-A very wealthy man
20-Inmate	52-Provided with a	31-Ancient name of
21-Mud	53-Relief authority	32-Ireland
22-Danger	54-Beloved	33-Limb
24-Provided with a	55-Boston	34-Illy-considered
26-Soundrel	56-Bed in a Pullman	35-Bed
28-Possessed	57-Calf meat	36-Calf
29-To resist authority	58-Dam	37-A father
33-Beloved	59-Damson	42-A soft drink
34-Nickname for	60-Risk	44-To plant seed

SUGGESTIONS FOR SOLVING CROSS-WORD PUZZLES
Start out by filling in the words of which you feel reasonably sure. These will give you a clue to other words crossing them, and they in turn to still others. A letter belongs in each white space, words starting in the numbered squares and running either horizontally or vertically or both.

(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear in Monday's issue along with a new cross-word puzzle.)

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From Hong Kong.

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The two new British battleships "Rodney" and "Nelson," which are to enter service this year will be extraordinary-looking craft.

In the new issue of "Jane's Fighting Ships" (edited by Dr. Oscar Parkes and Mr. F. E. McMurtie, published by Sampson Low to-day, 42s.) the first authentic photographs as yet released by the Admiralty are reproduced.

They show that the heavy guns will be carried in three triple turrets (each mounting three 15in. guns) forward. A great armoured structure, for all the world like the keep of medieval castle, rises amidships, and has replaced the old-fashioned conning tower.

When completed they will be unusually ugly vessels. Dr. Parkes is further able in this exceptionally fine issue of "Fighting Ships" to give a photograph and drawings of the new British armoured cruisers of 10,000 tons. They are distinctly disappointing in comparison with new United States ships of the same size, of which also for the first time particulars are given.

The British ships carry eight 8in. and four 4in. guns; the American ten 8in. and six 5in. The British boilers and machinery are apparently of normal type, whereas in the American vessels extra high pressures are adopted.

U.S. Adopt British Style.

One remarkable change in the appearance of the older United States battleships is recorded. The basket-mast is being abandoned and replaced by tripod masts which are virtually of the British pattern. The change has already been carried out in the "Texas."

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BATTLE WITH ELEMENTS.

Schooner's Tempestuous Voyage.

Melbourne, Nov. 22. Twenty days out from Hobart on voyage which usually occupied only seven or eight days, the small schooner "Eveleeta" came into port to-day, and berthed at Little Dock.

The first few days from Hobart were fine, with moderate and favourable breezes, but, before the ship had entered Bass Strait, a strong westerly wind sprang up, and soon freshened to a gale. She was blown out of her course, and for different periods she was anchored in sheltered spots, or hove to, waiting for the weather to abate.

On Wednesday, when the storm in Hobson's Bay tore the Malata from her anchorage, the "Eveleeta" was making heavy weather off Cape Liptrap. Continued rain made the visibility very low, and no attempt could be made to enter the heads until the weather improved. The entrance was made on Saturday.

It was found on opening the hatches, that the water had not penetrated to the cargo of timber, and the vessel received no damage. The "Eveleeta" is the only schooner in the Tasmanian interstate trade which is not equipped with auxiliary engines.

EARTH TREMORS.

REMARKABLE SUBMARINE UPHEAVAL.

Melbourne, Nov. 22.

A submarine upheaval of considerable extent was reported by the officers of the American-Australian Oriental Liner steamer "West Carmona," which arrived from Seattle to-day. The phenomenon was observed in the Tasman Sea almost midway between New Zealand and Australia, on November 19.

In the early afternoon broken water was reported ahead, and by 3 o'clock the "West Carmona" was ploughing through heavy waves which bore sand, red clay, and other debris from the sea floor. The waves appeared to emanate from a focus, and gave the appearance known to mariners as "heavy water." The ship was tossed about, and the speed was greatly reduced. The disturbed area was very large, and for many hours the discoloured waves were seething about the ship.

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DELTA	8,007	18th Feb.	S'pore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay
KALYAN	9,144	19th Feb.	Marseilles, London, Antwerp & Hull
NELLORE	6,852	2nd March	S'pore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay
MANTUA	10,002	5th March	Marseilles and London
KASHGAR	9,005	12th March	Marseilles, London, Antwerp & R'dam
NYANZA	7,023	16th March	S'pore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay
MONGOLIA	16,504	19th March	Marseilles & London
MACEONIA	11,120	2nd April	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
DEVANHA	8,155	9th April	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
KARMALA	9,128	10th April	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & B'bay
DELTA	8,007	27th April	Marseilles and London
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TALMA	10,030	12th Feb.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta

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ARAFURA	6,000	28th Jan.	Manila, Koloibugan, Thursday
TANDA	6,556	4th March	Island, Townsville, Brisbane,
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KASHGAR	9,005	21st Jan.	Shanghai, Moji, and Kobe
DELTA	8,007	23rd Jan.	Shanghai, Moji, and Kobe
TALMA	10,002	23rd Jan.	Shanghai, Moji, and Kobe
MANTUA	6,002	4th Feb.	Shanghai, Moji, and Kobe
NELLORE	6,555	8th Feb.	Shanghai, Moji, and Kobe
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TANDA	6,069	8th Feb.	Shanghai, Moji, Osaka & Yokohama
MONGOLIA	16,604	12th Feb.	Shanghai, Moji, and Kobe
NYANZA	7,023	18th Feb.	Shanghai, Moji, and Kobe
MACEONIA	11,120	4th March	Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama
ST. ALBANS	4,500	8th March	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
DEVANHA	8,155	13th March	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
KARMALA	9,128	18th March	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
MALWA	10,080	1st April	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
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It is understood that the Mineral Oil Company at Genoa, are to construct new docks with facilities for the storage of oil. The company is increasing its capital from £1,000,000 lire to 5,000,000 lire.

A Portsmouth message says that a fund for the relief of dependants of petty officers and men who lost their lives in the “Valerian” disaster has been opened by the Commander-in-Chief of the North America and West Indies station. The amount raised will be handed over to the Royal Naval Benevolent Trust, which is already dealing with cases of distress occasioned by the disaster.

MOVEMENTS OF STEAMERS.

The C.P.S. R.M.S. “Empress of Russia” is due at Hong Kong on January 14.

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“SUNNING” PIRACY.

NINE PRISONERS NOW COMMITTED.

MAGISTERIAL EVIDENCE.

Three more of the men charged at the Magistracy with complicity in the “Sunning” piracy were committed for trial at the Sessions yesterday. The number committed is now nine. One

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committed has yet to complete his evidence. The Magisterial hearing will be completed this morning.

Addressing the Court yesterday, Mr. Lo asked whether His Worship was satisfied that the burning of the ship was done with the object of destroying all traces of the piracy. Mr. Lo drew attention to the fact that witnesses had expressed an opinion that all the pirates left the “Sunning” and he suggested there was very strong evidence that those who remained were not pirates.

The Crown had called a witness who had said the defendants were in the steerage. Men who had been defendants in the case had said the

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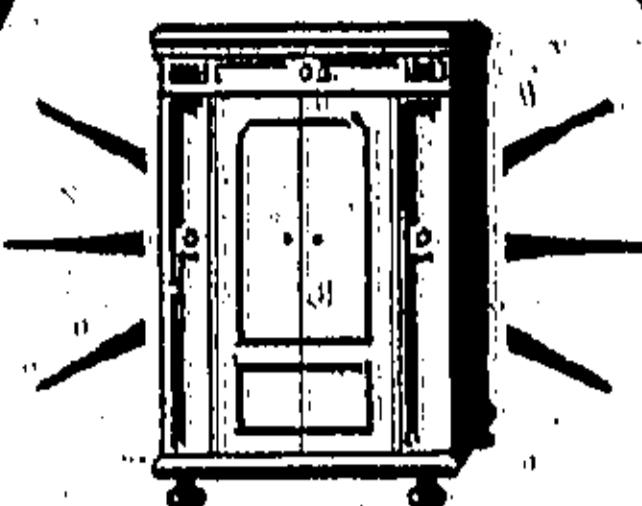
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BIRTH.

REBSAMEN.—On January 1, 1927, at Shanghai, to Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Rebsamen, a son.

DEATH.

PRIEST.—On January 1, 1927, at Shanghai, Fanny, the dearly beloved wife of W. J. Priest, aged 46 years.

Hong Kong, Saturday, Jan. 8, 1927.

HONG KONG'S NAVAL VOLUNTEERS.

Enthusiastic potential naval volunteers in Hong Kong were assured some months ago that the only delay in putting the Volunteer Naval Reserve scheme into working operation would be in connection with the granting of financial support by the Home and local Governments. Since then provision has been made in both Estimates for the gift of a gunboat of the "Insect" class (on the part of the Home Government) and of a vote of \$40,000 for cost of upkeep, fuelling and trained personnel (by the Hong Kong Government). On the face of it there should be nothing to hinder the local authorities from announcing the conditions under which it is proposed to run the scheme and appealing for local support. The gunboat is not expected to be despatched until the middle of the year but certain valuable work could be put in beforehand, and training could be given to those who will not bring to their voluntary patrol work a knowledge of local waters or of matters nautical. The earlier this training is commenced, the better. For whilst it is hardly likely that naval vessels will be needed for active service in the vicinity of Hong Kong, calls may be made such as that which re-

sulted in the despatching of four boats from Hong Kong to the North this week—which would greatly diminish the number available for patrol work. It is in times such as these that the Naval Reserve would be invaluable. The Naval authorities have already expressed the opinion that the Reserve would be of great assistance to them and to the Colony in times of emergency and that the scheme is practicable. The first move in the direction of putting the scheme into working operation will be awaited with interest.

Saving the Pence.

A striking illustration of the truth that pounds will look after themselves is to hand this week in the recorded achievement of an Indian watchman, probate of whose will has been granted. Employed at a West Point godown at a wage which would not keep a heavy smoker in cigarettes and tobacco, from the time of his first arrival in the Colony this self-denying Oriental, with a patience typical of his race, saved enough out of his meagre earnings to make small loans to those in humble circumstances around him who stood in urgent need of ready cash. With capital increased weekly by the interest demanded, he was able with the passing of the years to launch out on more ambitious lines as regards money lending until at the time of his death he was worth \$45,000, although still engaged in the humble occupation of a watchman. It would perhaps be unfair to infer what rate of interest he was in the habit of charging, but in this connection it may be recalled that in a bankruptcy case recently before the Chief Justice, when His Lordship expressed surprise that a debtor should have been asked to sign a note for double the amount he actually received, he was assured by the Official Receiver that such was the general practice among money lenders here. Whilst not losing sight of the unfortunate position of those who, having urgent need of ready money, are called upon to repay at extortionate rates, a lesson may still be derived from a record of self-abnegation extending over a period of years by which the goal, however mercenary, was eventually attained.

The Ricscha Coolie's Lot.

In connection with the appeal which is to be launched for support of the proposal to found an institution to ameliorate the lot of the ricscha coolie, it will come as a surprise to most people to learn from Bishop Valtorta, the founder of the movement, who spent years of missionary work in the district from which most of our chair and ricscha coolies come, that these humble toilers are unable to keep their families in comfortable circumstances during their period of service here. It is freely said among the older residents that ricscha and chair coolies in the past, at any rate,

have made enough in a few years to enable them to purchase a small farm and to retire into the country. It is not a pleasant task, however, pulling people about under, often, grueling circumstances and few would begrudge them a well-earned retirement, if they actually made as much as it is said they do, and few would begrudge them the conveniences which it is proposed to afford them under the movement recently inaugurated which will doubtless receive considerable support. Passengers sometimes confess to feeling none too comfortable at being borne by a perspiring human being. It may be that in time the ricscha will be entirely superseded by more mechanical means of transport but so long as he is not only willing but raucously insistent that his arms and shoulders should be placed at one's service for a monetary consideration it is doubtful if he would appreciate the reasoning of those who refuse to patronise him on humanitarian grounds.

POLICE AMBUSH.

KOWLOON SKIRMISH CASE CONTINUED.

Further evidence was given at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday in the case in which four Chinese are held on various charges in connection with the skirmish with the Police at a distillery in the neighbourhood of Gin Drinker's Bay on Dec. 2 when four men were killed.

Three of the four men are charged with attempted armed robbery and possession of instruments fit for an unlawful purpose.

Concerning two revolvers found on the scene was given by Mr. C. Greenwood, Police Armourer. The revolvers were all loaded and one had two rounds fired from it was in good condition. Two rounds found in the other revolver were wet.

A Chinese detective said that he went with Sub-Inspector Andrews to the Wo Lung Distillery, and was posted in the "master's" room with three other Chinese detectives and Sub-Inspector Andrews. They waited from 7 till a little after 10 p.m. when some people came into the room, and on seeing the police took out their guns and two shots were fired. The police officers returned the fire, and he himself fired four shots. In this shooting affray, witness further added, Sub-Inspector Andrews killed one of the robbers outright. Another of the miscreants was wounded.

Further evidence was heard, and the defendants having intimated that they would be calling witnesses for their defence the case was adjourned.

\$1,000 BAIL.

PAWNING IMITATION RINGS CASE.

The case in which a Chinese stands charged with attempting to pawn imitation gold rings was again mentioned in Mr. Schofield's Court at the Central Magistracy yesterday afternoon. Mr. W. B. Hind intimating that he had been instructed to defend only a few moments earlier and would therefore apply for remand.

Mr. McCallum, prosecuting, said that he did not wish to prejudice the defence. He was ready to go on and felt that the defendant had had plenty of time to instruct counsel.

His Worship said that he felt that he should grant a remand in the whole of Asia.

Mr. Hind applied for bail.

Mr. McCallum said that whilst not opposing bail he would like to point out that the case was not one of a single offence, but one of a series of offences.

His Worship allowed bail in \$1,000.

\$1,000,000 FORTUNE.

DEVOLVES ON A BOY OF SEVEN.

London, Dec. 23.

The only baronetcy in Australia and a fortune estimated at one million sterling, has been inherited by a seven years old boy as a result of the sudden death of Sir Rupert Clarke of Repartswood, Victoria, at his Monte Carlo villa. The family fortunes were founded by Sir Rupert's grandfather, who was a butcher's assistant in Aldgate, London, before emigrating to Australia in 1840.

FLYING IN FOGS.

London, Dec. 8.

The Air Ministry has adopted the Schlieffen-Cooke gyroscopic indicator, enabling pilots to fly in a fog and nocturnally.

The instrument, which is 4in. in diameter is rotated electrically, and registers the smallest deviation from a straight line.

HANKOW'S WEALTH.

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Hankow has been called the Manchester of China. And with reason. For you find there none of the reckless gaiety of Shanghai's cabarets, none of Harbin's dramatic conflicts, none of the dignity, historical colour, and social brilliance of Peking. Hankow is essentially a city of commerce, rich, staid, drab. Life beats there with a slower pulse, writes G. C. Dixon in the "Daily Mail."

"For many reasons Hankow is the greatest prize that the Cantonese have yet captured. Besides doing a vast trade it is the terminus of the Peking-Hankow Railway and the strategic key to the entire upper Yangtze. At Hankow, too, are the works of the great Han-yeh-ping Company, which turns out 200,000 tons of iron and steel a year; the largest arsenal in China (situated in the suburb of Hainyang); and large electrical, banking, and other undertakings, financed and managed by the British.

Foreign Community.

There are about 1,200 foreigners in Hankow, 600 of whom are British, 300 Germans, 150 Russians, and the rest mainly French and Japanese.

Six hundred miles though, they are from the sea, the Europeans are by no means cut off from protection. The Yangtze is navigable by river vessels for 1,300 miles all the year round. During the summer, when the sun melts the snows of Tibet, ocean-going boats, including H.M.S. "Hawking," the flagship of our Chinese squadron, can reach Hankow with safety and ease.

Over 8,000 years old, Hankow is not only one of the most ancient of Chinese cities but the largest. In 1861, when it was one of the 48 ports opened by treaty to foreign trade, Hankow was little more than a fishing village, poor, dirty and disease-ridden, sprawling upon a swamp beside the sluggish Yangtze.

Amazing Growth.

But then began a miraculous expansion hardly paralleled even in the mushroom growths of America.

Lying at the junction of the Yangtze and the Han rivers, Hankow became the clearing house for myriads of junks and the central trading depot for the whole of the immense Yangtze valley, which drains an area of nearly a million square miles and fertilises the crops that feed 200 millions of people. The Amazon may be the world's largest river and the Nile the most historic, but for power of life and death over mankind the Yangtze is supreme.

Fed by this great life stream, Hankow spread over the flats and marshes like some tropical growth. To-day, with a population of 1,626,000 as compared with Shanghai's 1,500,000, it is not only the largest city in China, but the largest in the whole of Asia.

Fine Race Course.

Flat, depressingly ugly—from a height its roof tops form a sea of drab grey, broken only by the yellow waters of the Yangtze—and sweltering for six months in the year beneath a blazing sun, Hankow is generally avoided by Europeans in the East. At night the air is alive with what must surely be the largest and most ferocious mosquitoes in the world; and, with this plague and an entire lack of sanitation and clean drinking water in the Chinese quarters, it is not surprising that diphtheria, typhoid, and several sorts of fever exact a heavy toll.

But life has its compensations.

In the foreign concession there is a racetrack, reckoned the finest in all China. (The Chinese, always great gamblers, have recently built an opposition racetrack, where you may see coolies literally stripping their shirts.) And there are also lawn tennis courts, a cricket and football ground, and two fair golf courses—though golf anywhere in China (and I have played from Hong Kong to Harbin) is handicapped by the extraordinary inability of the country to produce proper turf.

SOCIETY DIVORCE.

London, Dec. 7.

The Divorce Court upheld Lady Cheylemore's claim holding that Lord Cheylemore's interests were in England, not in Canada. This decision means that the wife will be able to proceed with the divorce suit in England.

EMPEROR'S FUNERAL.

Tokyo, Jan. 3.

As a result of to-day's meeting of the Commission on the Imperial Funeral, it has been decided that the service for the late Emperor of Japan will be held at the Imperial villa at Shinjuku from the evening of February 7 to the dawn of the following day. It is expected that this decision will be made public subject to approval by the Emperor.

Well Fed and Partly Intoxicated.

Melbourne, Dec. 9.

When the steamer "Sirdhana" was travelling between Adelaide and Melbourne six Chinese stowaways who had eluded the search of the Customs officers at Fremantle and Adelaide were discovered in hiding in a small cupboard.

They appeared to have been well fed, and were partly under the influence of liquor. They were handed over to the Melbourne police.

According to the Paris "Liberte" 200,000 French soldiers are concentrated on the Italian frontier between Nice and Grenoble.

WU PEI-FU.

POETIC SPIRIT SHINES UNDIMMED.

VERSES TO MADAME WU.

Peking, Dec. 30. Though wags rage; though Generals turn traitor and foes press forward, the poetic spirit of Marshal Wu Pei-fu shines on, undimmed.

Two poems, both of unusual distinction, were recently written by the defeated Warlord, one to honour a guard who gave his life to defend his chief, the other to extoll the brave heart of his wife, who never leaves his side. The verse to the soldier is translated as follows:

"The cold wind from the west blows my old battle garment. To look upon the blood stain on the cloak brings sorrow to my heart. My only possessions now are my loyal heart and brave soul.

These will be with me forever, despite the ice and snow of the present situation."

This verse illustrates the deep devotion of Marshal Wu to a guard who lost his life in the battle at Ting Su Chiao. Blood from the wound of the dying man stained the garment of the chief, who attempted to alleviate the suffering of the soldier. Marshal Wu has never permitted the blood-stain to be removed from his garment, pointing to it always as the life blood of a faithful man who died that he might live.

To his wife, who because of the reverse of her husband's fortunes, insists on wearing an old cotton garment, which cannot properly protect her from the cold, Marshal Wu writes:

"The thief has not been slain. The people have not been saved. Old people will go on together, Fighting the cold and starvation.

Daily we wear the horse-skin and the skin of the bull.

What does it matter?

SEAMEN'S ORDEAL.

RIGOURS OF ARCTIC WINTER.

A THRILLING ESCAPE.

London, Dec. 24. Terrible experiences of the rigours of the Arctic winter by the crew of the German trawler "Island," which foundered in the White Sea on December 13, are related by four of her sailors who have arrived at Aberdeen.

The vessel sank a few minutes after striking a rock.

The crew, drenched to the skin in icy water, reached land in a small boat. They were scantily clad. The Captain was without boots.

The party was forced to walk to prevent their being frozen. Bruised and bleeding, they climbed a cliff, the crevices of which were choked with ice.

When they arrived at the top no habitation was in sight, but they finally reached a deserted hut and kindled fire.

They resumed their march without food, and when they were near exhaustion they were greeted by a man skiing across the snow. He led them to a village, from which they were later taken to a port and embarked for home.

DIVORCE LAWS.

INDIA AND THE CROWN COLONIES.

London, Dec. 1. In the House of Commons today, Earl Winterborne (Under-Secretary for India) moved the second reading of the Indian and Colonial Divorce Jurisdiction Bill, conferring upon the Indian and Dominion Courts jurisdiction in marriages, the parties to which are domiciled in England or Scotland, though living in India or the Dominions, and validating the decrees granted.

Sir Ellis Hurne Williams (Unionist) said that the Bill might have gone further. The English Courts had no jurisdiction in divorce over a respondent who was domiciled in India or Australia, although the offence might have been committed in England. Why were the self-governing Dominions exempted, and why were no steps taken for reciprocal legislation?

The Bill was read a second time.

THIEF'S RUSE.

"GAY YOUNG MAN" SENTENCED.

London, Dec. 7. Finding a lady's name and address in a diary which he stole from a room at the Savoy Hotel occupied by Mr. H. A. McLaughlin, secretary to Sir Neville Howse, a thief named James Fleming (26) telephoned to him in McLaughlin's name, inviting her to meet him at the Savoy. While the lady was en route to the hotel Fleming entered and robbed her residence.

The prosecution described Fleming as a gay young man who liked hotel life. He also pleaded guilty to five other hotel thefts, and was sentenced to three years' imprisonment.

DAILY FOOD PRICES.

Geneva, Dec. 2. The "average family's daily basket of provisions, including meat, vegetables, bread, coffee, milk and butter, was the basis of the League of Nations' Labour Office's inquiry into the cost of living in the chief cities of the world."

Łódź, Poland, is the cheapest city, with two shillings, and Philadelphia the dearest at 9s. 1d. Sydney comes next at 8s. 1d., and London, 7s. 1d., is eighth on the list.

PRINCE CAROL.

Paris, Nov. 29. It is reported that Prince Carol has secretly agreed with his wife to return to her and reside in Roumania for dynastic reasons.

There is no suggestion that the arrangement necessitates the breaking off of his relations with Madame Lupescu.

TURKEY PROHIBITS VEILS.

Constantinople, Dec. 7. The Government of Trebizond has prohibited women from wearing the veil because it is unhealthy, and because it interferes with the right of earning their own living, and furnishes an easy disguise.

In future wearers of veils will be arrested immediately.

Rome reports that after Year all ministerial documents are to be dated from the beginning of the Fascist era.

£500,000 PRIZE.

RESULT OF A SPANISH LOTTERY.

QUEBEC AT THE MINT.

London, Dec. 22. Madrid.—A long queue waited throughout the night for admission to the Royal Mint where tickets for the great Christmas lottery were drawn, the principal winning ticket being worth approximately £500,000. The Government makes a profit of £100,000, pessetas, the Government and the King sharing. One full ticket, which is a high denomination, may be split into small fractions.

Those in the queue were for the most part poor hoping to sell places at the last moment. They were regaled with hot coffee and toast supplied by the Police while a popular actress distributed smokes.

Owing to the vast number of shares sold in the winning ticket the prize will be split by a host of participants from the middle and working classes. The second prizes of 10,000,000 pesetas will also be much subdivided. The third prize was won by a resident of Cuba, while officers and other ranks in the Red Cross attached to Sarmiento garrisons share the fourth.

PAPER STRIKE.

RIGHTS OF A WOMAN REPORTER.

London, Dec. 21. The editorial staff of two Glasgow weeklies, the "Eastern Standard" and the "Southern Standard," struck, alleging certain grievances, including the victimisation of a woman reporter who was dismissed.

An official of the local branch of the National Union of Journalists declares that the strike was unofficial. He stated that the Union had advised the men to return to work pending investigation of their grievances.

The strike has evoked sarcastic comment inasmuch as Mr. John Wheatley, M.P. (Labour), holds an important interest and is a director of the firm publishing the papers. The alleged victimisation followed an agitation to force up salaries to trade union scale.

The Manager, who is ex-Secretary of the Glasgow I.L.P. and an ex-Socialist Parliamentary candidate, declares that she was dismissed due to the need for re-organisation and economy.

The Bill was read a second time.

EUROPE FREEZES.

GREAT SNOWSTORM SWEEPS SPAIN.

London, Dec. 23. A wave of extreme cold is sweeping over Spain with the temperature far below freezing point. At Segovia and Burgos the temperature is down to 10 degrees Fahrenheit. Traffic is almost suspended. A number of deaths is reported.

London, Dec. 29. The "Daily Mail" bulletin says a great snowstorm accompanied by gales swept Spain causing much loss of life and enormous damage. Six millions sterlings of orange crop has been lost, light-houses shaken, and fifty ships sunk.

Frost and snow prevail throughout France. The southern part of the United States has also been visited by great rain and sleet storms and many people have been drowned in the floods.

NOVELIST'S SUICIDE.

London, Dec. 1.

Allen Upward, the author, who recently committed suicide, left all he possessed to Mr. Stephen Grimes, author of numerous books on Tourist Russia and other works. The "Daily Express" says that the amount not stated.

To the will was added a desire to be buried in un consecrated ground in private silence; and Upward forbade any memorial.

Mr. Graham, in an interview expressed the opinion that Upward committed suicide in order to draw attention to his work, "a desperate measure which he mentioned to me some years ago, but to which I had no idea he would resort."

WOMEN APPROVED.

London, Dec. 1.

Cambridge undergraduates debated the motion—"That this House disapproves of women," which was defeated by 191 to 164.

Supporters of the motion favoured the womanly woman. The proposer, Mr. A. King Hamilton, declared that the modern woman, with arms bangled, hair bingled, and face bungled, looked like nothing on earth.

MAJOR CASHIERED.

The "London Gazette" announces that Major C. Geldard, M.C., of the Royal Artillery, has been cashiered by order of a general court-martial.

Major Geldard was found guilty at a court-martial at Bordon, Hampshire, on September 28, of seven charges of making false entries in the accounts of the 92nd Battery, in which there was a deficiency of £182, and of misappropriating money to his own use. Major Geldard admitted negligence, but denied any fraudulent intentions.

Following stringent investigations the Roman prefecture will close all night-dancing halls according to the "Popolo di Roma."

MARY OF SCOTS.

PURCHASE OF A FAMOUS PORTRAIT.

STRANGE GLASGOW INCIDENT.

London, Dec. 23.

The Glasgow Corporation, in spite of opposition from some Labour members, has decided to purchase a £7,000 portrait of Mary Queen of Scots, painted by a famous contemporaneous French artist, which has been in the possession of the Earl of Morton's family since 1580.

A Labour member supporting the purchase, produced a skull in the Council Chamber, and declared it was the skull of a soldier killed in the battle of Langside, when Mary Queen of Scots' army was defeated.

ABSENT GUESTS.

A TREAT FOR LONDON'S POOR.

London, Dec. 20.

Over 300 of the poorest men in London will be the "absent guests" of friends in Cairo at a dinner to be arranged by the Church Army in London on December 29.

The absent hosts will sit down to dinner at Cairo consisting of lentil soup, bread and cheese and water, costing 3½d. for which they will subscribe 5s. a head, the balance being expended on the absent guests.

At a dinner, which will be held simultaneously as that at Cairo and at a pre-arranged time both absent hosts and absent guests will toast each other.

Amongst those present at the London dinner will be Lord Daryngton, President of the Church Army, and Sir Arthur Yapp.

The Cairo dinner will be under the Presidency of Lord Lloyd.

HIS LAST WORDS.

DEATH OF AN ITALIAN SURGEON.

London, Dec. 24.

Geneva.—"Continue the operation, my eyes are giving out," were the last words of an Italian surgeon, Dr. Lombardo, who collapsed while operating on a patient in his private clinic at Bergamo.

Nurses carried the doctor from the operating theatre.

Dr. Lombardo died without regaining consciousness.

VALUE OF CHEWING GUM.

London, Dec. 29.

The use of chewing-gum is officially recommended for pilots in the British R.A.F. Providing saliva, it overcomes the difficulty experienced in swallowing during accents, owing to the throat becoming parched.

EMPIRE MEDALS.

London, Dec. 23.

Encouraged by the success of distributing medals symbolic of the Empire to school children on Empire Day, the British Empire Union has decided to extend the scheme to the Dominions and the Colonies next year.

DIAMOND THIEF'S FRIEND.

London, Dec. 21.

The Police at Strasbourg have arrested Eugenie Deucy, a friend of the alleged diamond thief, Kaufert. Deucy denies knowledge of the theft.

THRICE A PEERESS.

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WORLD'S RECORD GLIDE.

London, Dec. 20.

Rome.—The aviator Cattaneo glided about 7½ miles which is claimed to be a record.

SAILORS POISONED.

San Diego, Calif. Dec. 28.

Twenty-one bluejackets confined aboard the receiving ship "Rigid," at the destroyer base, awaiting trial for court-martial offences, and three sailors, were taken to the naval hospital suffering from ptomaine poisoning. None were dangerously ill. Tin-neck beef hash is believed to be the cause of the trouble.

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TRAGIC GRIEF.

INQUEST ON A SOCIETY GIRL.

VERDICT OF SUICIDE.

London, Dec. 21.

"Suicide of unsound mind" was the verdict at the inquest at Swindon on Miss Una Crowe, whom witnesses described as an exceptionally brilliant girl who obtained an honours degree two years before she was entitled to receive it.

She was in good health and spirits and very much devoted to her mother with whom she always went out. But she changed when her mother died and became depressed and lost interest in things.

The finder of her body testified that her legs were tied with pink tape and her face was bruised. The body had possibly been lying in the spot several days before it was discovered.

A doctor expressed the opinion that death was not due to drowning but to cardiac syncope, caused by shock following exhaustion due to immersion in water.

EMPIRE PUDDING.

AN INTERESTING LONDON CEREMONY.

London, Dec. 20.

An interesting ceremony took place this morning at the premises of the Overseas League here.

The Dominions representatives participated in the formal mixing of an Empire Christmas pudding which will be presented to the King. Each of the Dominions contributed to the ingredients. South Africa was represented by raisins, Australia by sultanas and currants. Canada by flour, Demerara, sugar, Scotland by beef and suet, England by apples and eggs, India by spice, and Jamaica by rum.

After the stirring ceremony the toast of the King and the Empire Christmas pudding was proposed by Lord Meath and drunk in South African Hock.

RACE AGAINST DEATH.

San Diego, Dec. 28.

How the U.S. destroyer "Farragut" steamed out of the harbour here at full speed for Ensenada, Mexico, in a thrilling race to save the life of Leighton Hope, the American Vice-Consul there, is revealed.

No merchant vessels for San Diego were sailing from Ensenada and an appeal to the local naval base was made. The "Farragut" made 30 knots down to Ensenada and 32 coming back with the sick man.

DUKE OF CONNAUGHT.

London, Jan. 7.

An official communication from Cap Ferrat with reference to the condition of the Duke of Connaught, says that the Duke was unwell a little while back but now recovered.—Reuter.

HOTEL AS SCHOOL.

Fifty boys from the Broadstairs Preparatory School, Stone House, have arrived at a Cromer hotel.

The school had been closed owing to an outbreak of infantile paralysis and the boys were sent home, but now that they are out of quarantine and free from infection the school has been temporarily transferred to the Cromer hotel, usually closed during the winter, for the remainder of the term.

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LOCAL AND GENERAL NEWS.

Memorial of Re-entry by the Crown on Kowloon Inland Lot No. 1650 and New Kowloon Inland Lot No. 481 have been registered according to law.

It is notified that a Memorial of Re-entry by the Government has been registered according to law in respect of Tsing I Island Demarcation District No. 434 Lot No. 377.

Before Mr. T. W. Ainsworth, at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday, Mr. L. V. Pinna, of Jordan Road, was fined \$5 for riding a bicycle on the wrong side of Prince Edward Road.

Two local dances drew large audiences last night. The "Semreh" band was at the "Hermes" ball in the Hotel Savoy and the Dockyard Recreation Club spent a convivial evening at Lane, Crawford's restaurant.

It is notified that Memorials of Re-entry by the Crown on the following Lots in the Northern District of the New Territories have been registered according to law:—D.D. No. 6, Lot No. 955, D.D. No. 11, Lots Nos. 1440 and 1430B, D.D. No. 82, Lot No. 1463, D.D. No. 135, Lot No. 301, D.B. No. 131, Lot No. 677, and D.D. Nos. 189, Lots Nos. 1416, 1417, 1418 and 1419.

Where is the fortune, estimated at £10,000,000, left by Sir Andrew Chadwick, the brewer's manager, who died in Marylebone in 1768, leaving neither son nor will? For years it has been believed that the money has been in Chancery. In mill week, however, it was officially stated that after a search through the records of the Chancery Court since 1726 no trace of the estate had been found.

The Travel Association, which sponsored the Floating University which "visited" Hong Kong last autumn has issued a statement regarding the pranks played by the nine students who were sent home at Kobe. The objects "thoughtlessly removed from shrines in Japan" were returned almost without exception and apologies sent to those concerned," the report says. It concludes: "In spite of the unfortunate events in Japan many prominent Japanese expressed themselves as more than pleased with the arrangements carried out for contact and understanding between American and Japanese students."

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A Chinese woman now in the Kwong Wah Hospital is suspected of having attempted suicide when she took an overdose of opium. She was admitted yesterday.

Admitted to Kwong Wah Hospital with wounds from cuts yesterday, a Chinese woman is believed to have quarrelled with her husband. The Police are making inquiries.

It is notified that, at the expiration of three months from date, the Hong Kong Lumber Company Limited will, unless cause is shown to the contrary, be struck off the Register of Companies and the company will be dissolved.

Mr. J. R. Carr of the Botanical Department prosecuted a Chinese in the Police Court this morning for unlawfully cutting pine trees on a Government plantation near Tyutimuk reservoir. Accused had a previous conviction and was fined \$50 or three months.

The Shanghai pawnshop strike is about broken, insofar as a thousand employees have returned to work under an arrangement whereby each master will settle individual increases in pay in his own shop, and under a general arrangement whereby the proprietors agree to pay their employees one or two per cent from the receipts of sales of unredeemed property. The owners have also agreed that an additional quantity of congee shall be supplied daily. Consequently impoverished young Chinese bidders can once again rely on "uncle" for assistance.

The following rule was made by the Governor in Council under section 36 of the Tramway Ordinance, 1902. Ordinance No. 10, of 1902, on January 5.—Appendix A to the rules made by the Governor in Council under section 36 of the Tramway Ordinance, 1902, which is set forth on page 290 of the Regulations of Hong Kong, 1844-1925, and which specifies the places at which cars shall be brought to a stand-still, is amended by the deletion of the words "Junction of Des Voeux Road Central and Jubilee Street, at Central Market," in lines 14 and 15, and the substitution thereof for the words "Junction of Des Voeux Road Central and Queen Victoria Street." The foregoing rule shall come into operation on January.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL NEWS.

Miss Betty Balfour, the British film actress, is still dangerously ill in the Hotel Westminster, Paris, from pneumonia and muscular rheumatism, states a message from London dated December 29.

Major-General R. H. Morgan, C.B.E., who is advanced to that rank, at present commands the Chatham Division. He was Senior Naval Intelligence Officer in China in 1911-16, and G.S.O., 1st grade, Hong Kong, during the last two years of the late war.

For the command of H.M.S. "Heliotrope," which will replace the lost "Valerian" on the North American Station, Commander V. E. Ward, a submarine commander, has been selected. He is familiar with the sloop class by having commanded the "Magnolia" on the China Station in 1923-24.

Friends of Mr. W. Woodstock, late of the Asiatic Petroleum Co., Penang, will be interested to learn that he has now made his home in South Africa and has been appointed District Sales Manager of the Ford Motor Co. (S.A.) Ltd., at Durban. He was to marry on December 8, Miss Avice Currie, of Durban.

The Lady Jane Grey, and Mrs. Theodore Stephenson, the wife of Major General T. E. Stephenson, C.B., who was some years ago G.O.C. in Singapore, are paying a visit to Hong Kong. They arrived here on the "Sarpedon" and propose staying with friends on the Peak for a month before returning to England via Palestine.

Mr. R. F. Johnston, C.B.E., one of the greatest authorities on China, who has been in London for some months in connection with the proposal to remit the Boxer indemnity, left on Dec. 2 for Tientsin. Mr. Johnston spent some six years in Peking as tutor to the ex-Emperor Huan-Tung. Mr. Johnston was received in audience by the King recently.

The death is announced in London of Sir Rupert Clarke aged 61.

The death has occurred of Mrs. M. Baxter, founder of the Central Indian Hill Mission.

A Paris message dated December 29 records the death of M. Henry Cochin, the distinguished French scholar and critic, who has died aged 73.



The Royal Court photographers of Rome have just made this portrait of Count Ferino Ratti, only brother of the Pope.

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Mr. Israel Zangwill, who died on August 1, left £3,267. But he evidently thought his estate would be much larger when he wrote his will in 1920 in his own hand on a page out of an exercise book. He bequeathed £4,000 or "as much as is available in equal amount," to his three children, and all his literary properties to his wife, and any surplus up to £1,000 to the Zionist Organisation.

Mrs. Patrick McEnroy, wife of the proprietor of the Three Stags Hotel, Kennington Road, was the Prince of Wales's first partner at the British Legion's dance at Lambeth Baths. Afterwards the Prince chose pretty Miss Huckle, and danced the flat Charleston. When the band stopped he waved for more, and wound up a hectic two hours with the Paul Jones, in which he had four partners in as many minutes.

The marriage of Georgina (Lady Sholto Douglas and Comte Fernand Bertier de Sauvigny has taken place at Prince's Row Register Office, Buckingham Palace Road. The witnesses were Mr. Mosselmann, brother of the bride, and Comte Gerard Bertier de Sauvigny, brother of the bridegroom, and several friends were present. Afterwards there was a luncheon party at Claridge's Hotel, at which the French Ambassador, Princess Löwenstein-Wertheim, Lady Wenys, Lady Cynthia Asquith and Comte de Limur were among the guests.

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SPORTS SECTION

THE LAST TESTS.

AUSTRALIA'S PROFIT OF £20,700.

MORE THAN IN 1921.

Sydney, Jan. 7.
The Australian cricket Board of Control has announced the profits of last season's tour in England as £20,700, which is £3,000 more than in 1921.—Reuters.

SHEFFIELD SHIELD.

VARSITY MEN'S CRICKET DEBUT.

RESULTS OF 3 MATCHES.

London, Dec. 22, 2 p.m.

Adelaide.—New South Wales defeated South Australia by 4 wickets in the Sheffield Shield competition. The following are the scores:

South Australia 500 and 236 runs (total 786).

New South Wales 341 runs and 445 runs for 6 wickets (total 787).

For New South Wales, Andrews scored 66 in the first innings. Williams took 5 wickets for 155 runs, and Grimmett 4 wickets for 110 runs. In the second innings, Phillips scored 52, Andrews 126, Morgan 116, and Jackson 56, not out. Andrews, played a solid and elegant innings and his eight fours. He batted for 222 minutes. Morgan gave a confident display and was brilliant at times. He batted for 169 minutes and hit 12 fours.

In South Australia's second innings, Ryemill scored 50, and Alexander 104. The latter gave a solid and stylish display, batting for 223 minutes and hitting four fours. McNamee took 4 wickets for 63 runs.

Queensland Defeated.

Victoria scored an innings victory over Queensland in the Sheffield Shield competition. The following are the scores:

Queensland 147 and 217 runs (total 364).

Victoria 533 runs.

For Victoria, Fonsford scored 151 and Hendry 140. The two Varsity players, Rigg and King, made their first appearances in inter-State cricket and scored 62 and 50, respectively. The Queenslander, R. Oxenham, took 4 wickets for 126 runs.

In Queensland's second innings, Mayes scored 70, while Norton, the fast bowler, took 4 wickets for 67 runs, and Ryder 3 wickets for 27 runs.

GOLF CLUB.

TITLE OF PRESIDENT NOW ABOLISHED.

The post of President was abolished at an extraordinary general meeting of the Royal Hong Kong Golf Club in the board room of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., yesterday evening. The Hon. Mr. E. R. Halifax presided.

Resolutions passed at the extraordinary general meeting held on Dec. 16, were submitted for confirmation as a special resolution, as follows:

"That the Articles of Association be altered as follows:

"(a) In Articles 47 and 82 the word 'President' be deleted.

"(b) In Articles 68, 73, 74 and 82 the word 'Captain' shall be substituted for the word 'President'."

Mr. Halifax briefly explained the object for which the meeting had been called and formally proposed the confirmation of the above resolution as a special resolution.

This motion was carried unanimously.

FANLING GOLF.

The ladies' handicaps now having been worked out, the result of the R.H.K.G.C. Mixed Medal Handicap competition at Fanling during the New Year holidays is given below:

G. S. Dodwell & Mrs. Dodwell won with a score of 83, minus handicap of 11, equals 72.

Other scores were:—R. K. Valentine and Mrs. Middleton Smith 89 (14); T. S. Whyte Smith and Miss Dyer 88 (12); H. U. Ireland and Mrs. Ireland 89 (12); 77.

A party of five, including Cecil Young, the trainer, and jockeys M. Tighe, and E. V. nail, were motoring to Gatwick rates on December 15, when their car collided with another car near Crawley. Young was slightly hurt. Tighe, who was sitting beside the driver, was killed instantaneously.

M.C.C. TOUR.

SANDHAM GETS HIS 7TH CENTURY.

TEAM'S 6TH VICTORY.

Calcutta, Dec. 23.
In the second day's play between the M.C.C. and the British in the East, the tourists passed the home eleven's score of 146 for the loss of three wickets and were all out for 326.

The batting was sound and cautious. Sandham made 112, his seventh century in the tour, Astill 41, Brown 39, Earle 30 and Garry 30. Astill took six wickets for 72.

Calcutta, Dec. 29.
The M.C.C. defeated the British in the East by an innings and 55 runs.

The first innings scores were British in the East 146, M.C.C. 328. In their second innings the home eleven were out for 125, of which Guise made 49, Major Brooke 13, Aston 11, Hoole 16 and Meyer not out 11. Tarrant was absent on account of injury.

Boyes took seven for 52 and Astill two for 40.

This was the tourists' sixth victory.

J. L. Guise (Oxford and Middlesex), Hubert Ashton (Cambridge and Essex), C. P. Johnston (Cambridge and Kent), A. L. Hosie (Hants) and F. A. Tarrant (Middlesex) played for the Europeans in the East. With the exception of Tarrant, they were also chosen for the All-India team which included three Indians, namely, C. K. Naidu, R. Jamshetji and Nazir Ali.

"RED" GRANGE.



HENRY MILLER WAIN D.G.

"Red" Grange, acclaimed as the greatest of American football players, is back on the gridiron after a year of making cinema films.

LADIES' TENNIS.

MRS. TOTTENHAM RETAINS CHAMPIONSHIP.

Winning in two straight sets yesterday, Mrs. R. E. Tottenham retained the singles tennis championship of the Colony.

Miss Robinson got through to the final round of the competition promoted by the Ladies' Recreation Club. She played a good forceful game but the holder's counter-attack won her the set.

Mrs. Tottenham hit hard and placed accurately both with her back-hand and forehand. As a left-hand player she took Miss Robinson's sharp cross-court drives on her back-hand but she still had the mastery.

The challenger also made some nice side-line drives.

After a weak opening and loss of the first game, Mrs. Tottenham took five games in succession and ultimately won 6-3, 6-2.

WORLD'S CHAMPIONSHIP.

St. Louis, Jan. 7.

Tex Rickard has six candidates in mind to oppose Gene Tunney for the heavy weight boxing championship of the world, namely Dempsey, Berlenbach, Sharkey, Delaney, Rickard, Paulino and Malone. Rickard will hold elimination contests, the survivor of which will fight Tunney for the right to meet Tunney—Reuter's American Service.

The Earl of Carnarvon's Doushka won the Liverpool Autumn Cup.

With a perch weighing 7oz. 6dr., Mr. J. Lowndes, of the Wellington Angling Society, won the Gean Cup competition of the London Angling Association, which was fished for on the Thames at Marlow. The competitors, who travelled by special train, numbered 366, but owing to the poor conditions only five fish were caught. The total catch of the 366 anglers in 5½ hours was 1lb. 11oz. 14dr.

FUNERALS.

YESTERDAY'S HAPPY VALLEY CEREMONIES.

POLICE SERGT. HERBERT.

The funeral took place yesterday afternoon at the Protestant cemetery of Police Sergeant Herbert, who was found at the Tsingtao police station on Wednesday suffering from a gunshot wound.

The gun carriage upon which the coffin was placed was escorted to the graveside from the Arsenal street pier by a large number of the deceased's late colleagues.

Among those present were Mr. P. J. Wodehouse, C.I.E. (Deputy Superintendent of Police), Inspector W. Kent (Chief Inspector), Inspector J. Ogg (Officer in Charge of the Water Police Station), Inspector Bond (Officer in Charge of the Harbour Police), Inspector Spear, Sub-Inspectors Logan, J. Murphy, Dick, Mr. C. Greenwood and others, including a number of sergeants and lance sergeants.

The wreaths included tributes from Fred and Jack, Chief Detective Inspector T. Murphy; Inspector and Mrs. J. Ogg; Inspectors Grant and Logan; Inspector and Mrs. Dick; Sub-Inspectors and Mrs. K. W. Andrew; Sub-Inspectors Perkins and Sgt. Joy; Mr. and Mrs. H. Phillips; Mr. and Mrs. Carey; Mr. and Mrs. Bloor; Messrs. Paterson and McLellan; Sub-Inspectors and Mrs. Ellis; Mr. and Mrs. Hunt; Mr. and Mrs. Chester Woods.

Sgt. Munro and Duncan; Constabularies and Charman; Carson and Johnson; Read and O'Connell; Kelly; P. Barnicle; Harrison and Sabey and Mr. C. Greenwood.

Rom Mates; Lance Sergeants' Mess, No. 7 Police Station; Warders' Mess; Laichikok; Lance Sergeants, Praya East Police Station; King Edward Hotel; Sergeants' Mess, No. 2 Police Station; Lance Sergeants' Mess, Central Police Station.

Mr. W. E. Rose.

The funeral of Mr. W. E. Rose, whose death occurred at the French Hospital yesterday morning, took place at the Catholic cemetery yesterday afternoon, the Rev. Father Spada officiating.

The chief mourners were Mr. L. A. Rose, Miss Barros and Mr. T. Knight. The pall bearers were Messrs. P. A. Dixon, Geo. White, Van der Lely, C. S. Rosselet, T. Knight and A. W. Lee.

Among those present were Messrs. A. Rumjahn, K. K. Mody, U. Omar, P. Musket, N. White, Y. Abbas, Rodrigues, E. L. Stainfield, H. Stainfield, Mr. and Mrs. R. Sousa, Mr. Lionel Lamerton, Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Bennett, Mr. D. Clow, Mr. A. Gillard, Mr. Neves, Mr. Jack Swanson and many others.

Floral tributes were sent by: "Emily," Sarah and Louisa, Louis, Sue and Elsie; The Craigengower Cricket Club; Mr. and Mrs. Ralph A. Cooper and family; Mr. Lionel E. Lamerton; "Lily and Tom;" "Dolly;" Mr. and Mrs. Montalvo de Jesus and family; Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Barrett; Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Stainfield; Mr. E. C. Rock; Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Billimoria; Mr. P. A. Dixon; Dr. J. W. Kew; Mr. and Mrs. H. Stainfield; Mr. Geo. White; "The Servants" of Craigengower Cricket Club; Mr. and Mrs. Y. Abbas; Capt. and Mrs. G. F. Spinck; Mr. and Mrs. E. J. de Figueiredo and family; Mr. G. Rapp; Mr. G. C. White; Mr. C. A. C. Rodrigues; Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Dixon; Mr. and Mrs. G. Gonsalves; Mr. A. Khijeman; Mr. J. G. Swanson; Mr. and Mrs. A. Gillard; Mr. N. B. Muskett; Mr. and Mrs. M. A. R. Souza; Mrs. M. T. Williams and family; Mr. and Mrs. L. L. da Silva; Mr. C. F. Rapp; Mr. Ricardo Basa.

Mr. M. P. Remedios.

A large number of Portuguese residents attended the funeral yesterday afternoon of Mr. M. P. Remedios. The funeral rites were performed by Father Spada and among those present were:—Mr. Jensen, Mr. Nielsen, Mr. Summers Paterson, Mr. Allan, Mr. E. V. M. R. de Sousa, Mr. A. Silva-Netto, Mr. A. Alves, Mr. A. E. S. Alves, Mr. J. Lee, Mr. H. Sequiera, Mr. E. M. Rocha, Mr. M. F. Figueiredo, Mr. J. d'Almeida, Mr. A. J. Rodrigues, Mr. M. A. Gomes, Mr. D. J. Lopes, Mr. A. Pinna and many others.

Wreaths were sent by the following:—Chinese Counter Staff and Comptrollers of G. E. E. Tel. Co.; Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Legratt; "The Electrical Staff"; Mr. J. C. de Sousa; Mr. A. Silva-Netto, Mr. A. Alves, Mr. A. E. S. Alves, Mr. J. Lee, Mr. H. Sequiera, Mr. E. M. Rocha, Mr. M. F. Figueiredo, Mr. J. d'Almeida, Mr. A. J. Rodrigues, Mr. M. A. Gomes, Mr. D. J. Lopes, Mr. A. Pinna and many others.

Old China Hand.

A very old China hand has passed away in the person of Mr. Thomas Mercer, who died on Dec. 3 at Chessington House, Ewell, Surrey. He was an old resident of Canton and Hong Kong, where he spent many years in the tea and silk trades. His was a well-known and commanding figure. After his return from China he passed many years in the City, only relinquishing

his work a few years ago. Mr. Mercer was in his eighty-eighth year.

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MOTORING SECTION

COLOURED ROADS.

DAZZLE PROBLEM SOLUTION?

IMPROVING VISIBILITY.

Road engineers have discovered that it is possible to mix colour tint with the texture of the new hard pavement surfaces. Red concrete roads have made their appearance in the United States. Recently a British firm experimented with a pink road, and they are now discussing the possibility of laying a length of highway bright green in colour.

Visibility is very bad on some roads at night when they are wet and their shiny surfaces too often dazzle drivers by day when the sun is strong.

Would coloured roads remedy these defects? Would they help to solve the "dazzle light" problem? These are points which are being considered by road engineers.

An official of the Royal Automobile Club said:

"I should imagine that red roads would be most trying to the eyes of drivers. A green road might well prove very soothing and pleasing. It would considerably dull the driving light, but it might reduce the dazzle effect of headlights."

"I rather favour a primrose-coloured road, which would show up well at night and would be far preferable to the dark-coloured roads."

DODGING DANGERS.

CORONER'S ADVICE IN ROAD-CROSSING.

FATAL HESITATION.

"This is another instance of he who hesitates is lost," said Mr. Ingleby Odde at Westminster Coroner's Court recently, in emphasising the terrible danger of hesitating and "dodging about" when in traffic. "I am always advocating the importance of pedestrians standing still when they find themselves in difficulties," he added, when recording a verdict of accidental death, and exonerating the driver in a case in which Caroline Maria Ball, 71, formerly a governess, of Park-lane, Tottenham, was knocked down by a taxicab in

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STUDEBAKER ENTERPRISE.

When Mr. A. R. Erskine, President of The Studebaker Corporation of America, saw the last nail driven in the shipping box that was to carry the first Erskine-Six to the Paris Salon he knew that a dream had come true, and another epoch in Studebaker's 75 years of history had begun.

For the Erskine Six, revealed at the Paris Salon as Studebaker's new 2 1/3 litre European car, is the embodiment of an ideal conceived two years ago in Paris. There Studebaker dealers from all over Europe had gathered to tell Mr. Erskine their conception of the ideal type of car for European drivers. The descriptive composite of this ideal car, derived from the cumula-

He'd Rather Dodge a Bear Than a Motor



Col. Moore gives advice on a mountain journey to a fair visitor to Banff.

An encounter with a grizzly in the heart of the Canadian Pacific Rockies is a tame experience compared with dodging through traffic in Montreal, according to Col. Phil Moore, pioneer guide of Banff, Alberta, who arrived at Windsor Station, Montreal, over C.P.R. lines recently.

But, of course, Col. Moore feels differently about bears and other wild animals than most people do. He knows them intimately, and has made a careful study of their habits and disposition during his 25 years of residence in the mountains. He pooh-poohs the common belief that there are no birds in the mountains. He himself has identified 107 varieties. "Of course, one must use their eyes," he explains.

Col. Moore visited the East recently before continuing his journey to Chicago, where he fulfilled an engagement with the United States Bureau of Economics giving series of lectures on Canada.

MORE PENALTIES.

PRISON FOR RECKLESS MOTORISTS.

NO SPEED LIMIT.

Heavier penalties, including imprisonment, for dangerous motor driving, are to be introduced in England in January, says the "Daily News."

There will still be no general speed limit, but 60 miles an hour will be considered the maximum speed to be attained with safety on the open road. Populous centres and country villages are empowered to enforce a speed limit of 10 or even five miles an hour.

Driving licences will, in future contain the photographs of the holders. No licence to drive will be issued to anyone under 17 years of age; at present a lad of 16 can secure a car-driving licence, and boys of 14 may ride motor cycles.

BRITISH INVESTORS' TRIUMPH.

A London cable message states that a signal triumph for British industrial research is marked by the announcement that, after experiments with several American types, Mr. Henry Ford has adopted for his cars a well-known rim of the type originally evolved at Fort Dunlop, Birmingham, and already part of the standard equipment of over nine out of ten cars of British make.

The idea of the new rim is older than the first motor-car, for it was used on the Dunlop-Welch bicycle in 1890. During the war it came into prominence in connection with cushioning aeroplanes against the uneven surface of landing fields.

The rim, which is cheaper than its predecessors, allows a tyre to be taken off and put on without the use of any tools, and the tyre itself, having greater air space, absorbs more shock.

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WORLD AIR RECORDS.

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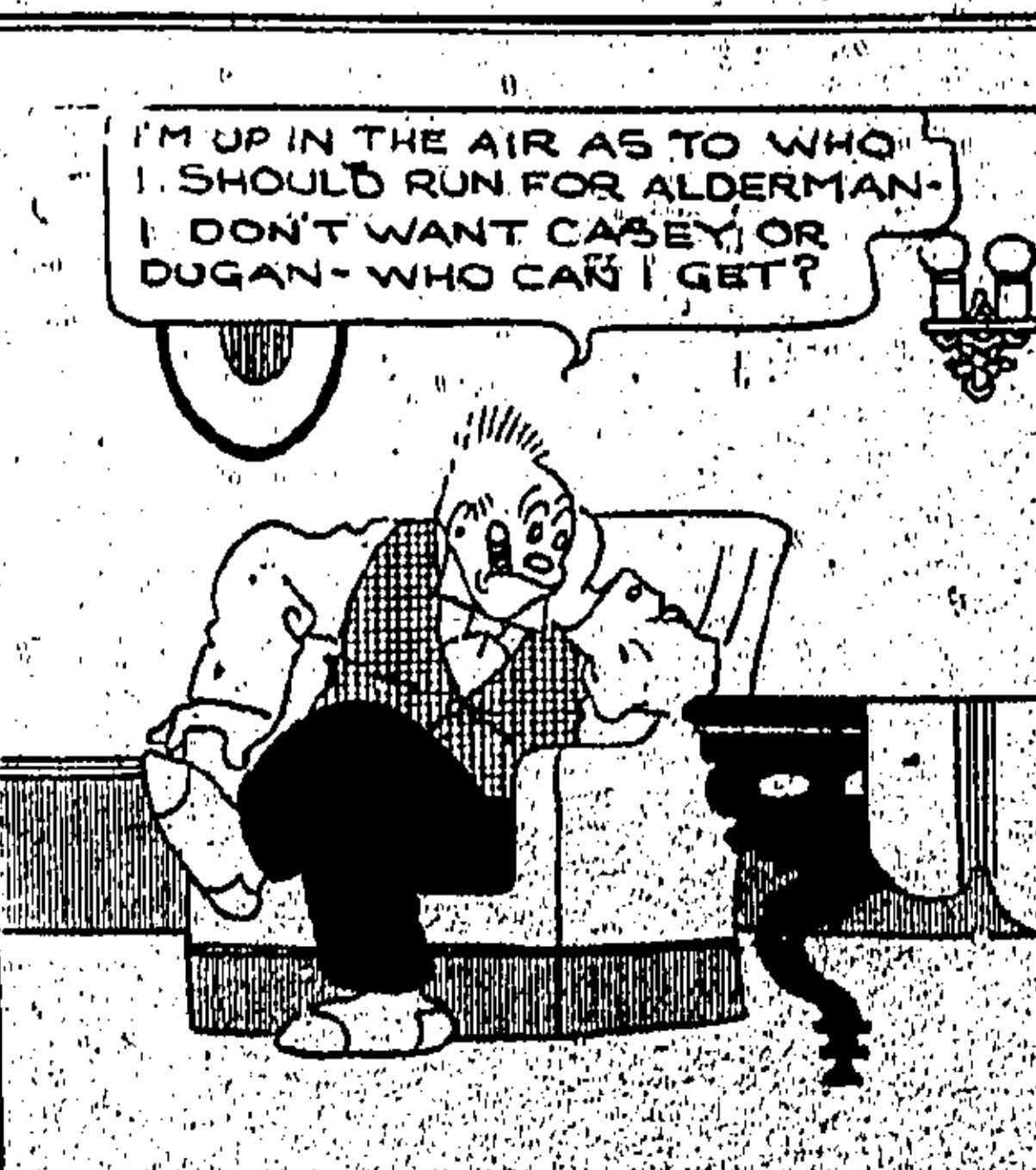
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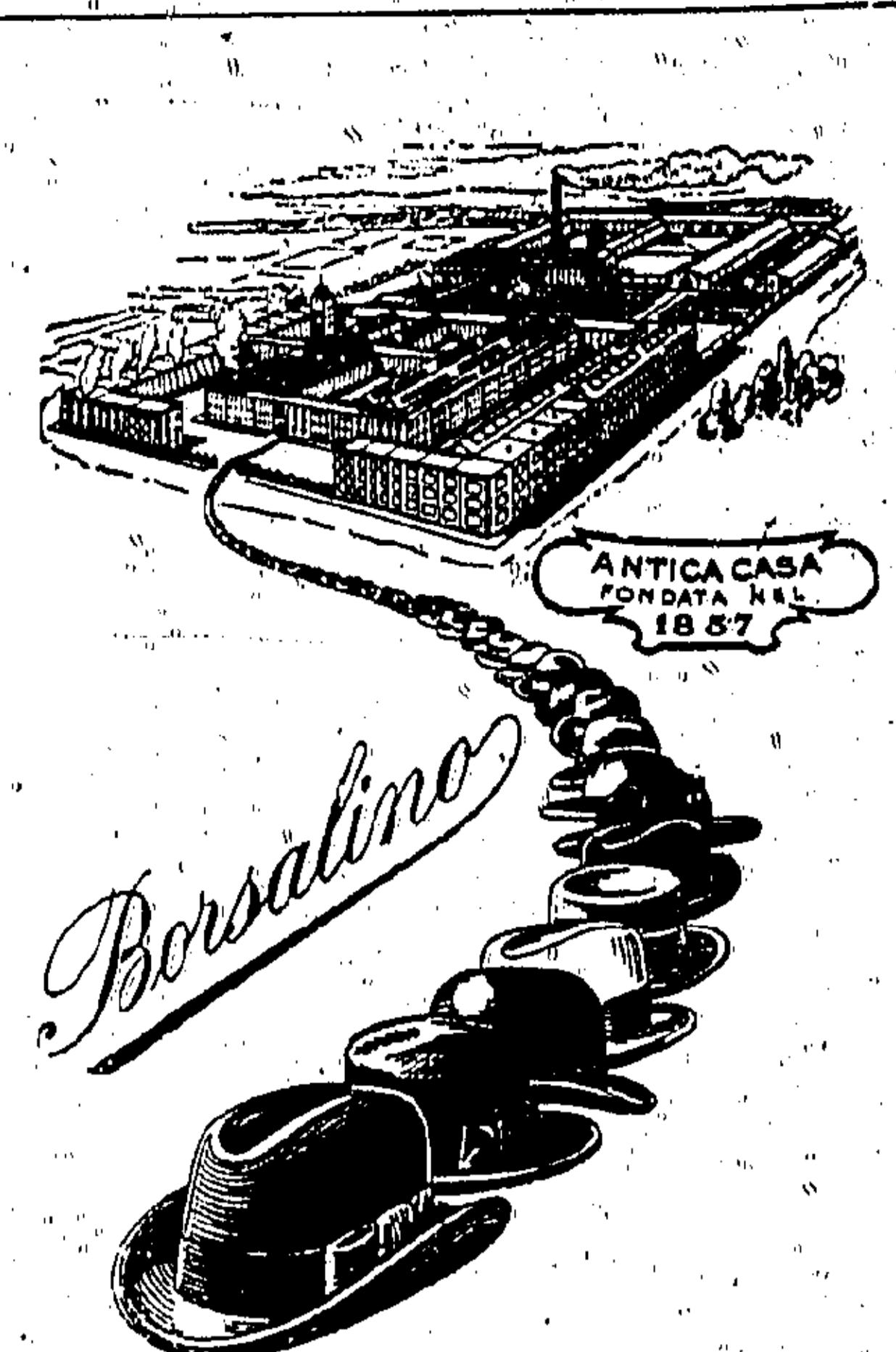
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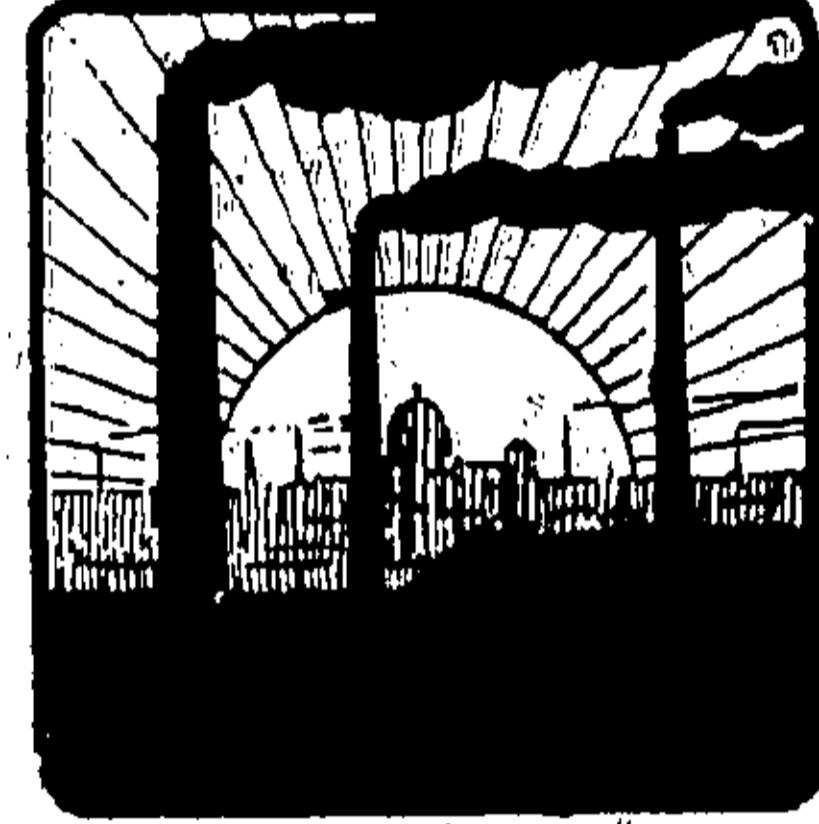
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THE WAY THE WORLD WAGS.

An Ottawa message says the Government has issued a call for 14,000 men for farm work in Canada this spring.

According to repeated unconfirmed reports from Athens grave unrest reigns in the Greek Army among the Royalist officers.

The cries of a 5-months-old baby awakened one of the occupants, all of whom escaped, when fire occurred in a Bradford dwelling-house.

Mussolini has approved an appropriation from the Italian Red Cross funds for the relief of the Albanian sufferers from the recent earthquake.

For the last time in Salford, Manchester, a rate was passed by Salford justices under a 400-years-old Act; in future rates will be levied by the town council.

The participants in the recent Albanian revolt were court-martialled at Scutari. Five were sentenced to death, 46 to imprisonment including life sentences.

According to the "Petit Parisien" following the recent plot against Primo de Rivera and the King, twenty were arrested whereof four were court-martialled and shot.

The League has submitted the Danube Commission controversy to the Hague International Court for definition of the Commission's competency which Roumania queries.

The Zoological Department of the British Museum has received a gift of two exceptionally large specimens of the glassy bodies of uncertain origin known as tektites, from the F.M.S., presented to the Museum by Mr. J. B. Scrivenor.

The Czechoslovak Sokol-Community, numbering 500,000 has resolved to sharply protest against the Vatican's veto forbidding Catholic Poles and Serbs to participate in the Sokol-Congress commemorating John Hus.

A reprieve having been refused,

Mrs. Rebecca Butterfield, aged 101, died in the Infirmary at the Poor Law institution, Windsor.

At a county meeting at Leamington it was decided to form a Warwickshire branch of the National Playing Fields Association.

A New York message states that five workmen were killed and nine were injured when an explosion occurred at the Dupont powderworks at Carney's Point, New Jersey.

On the suggestion of Mr. Arthur James, Mayor of Newport, Monmouthshire, several South Wales towns held thanksgiving services for the restoration of peace in the coal industry.

When the flying boat on the Southampton to Guernsey service of Imperial Airways, Ltd., was returning to the air port at Woolston, Southampton, it made a descent of the Needles, Isle of Wight, owing to lack of fresh water.

Stolen from outside the Winter Gardens, Deal, on September 1, while the owner, Lady Sargent, wife of Lord Justice Sargent, was opening a charity bazaar, a five-seater motor-car has just been located in a Portsmouth garage.

A reprieve having been refused, Charles Houghton, a butler, was executed at Gloucester jail for the murder of his employers, the Misses Elmer Drinkwater Woodhouse and Martha Gordon Woodhouse, at Burghill Court, Herefordshire.

An express train from York to Bristol was passing on the opposite line at Parkgate, near Rotherham (Yorkshire), a coal-laden mineral train, when one of the wagons jumped the rails and ripped open the sides of most of the coaches, killing nine persons and injuring twenty-seven. Among those killed were the Rev. F. W. Davis, a well-known Cheltenham preacher, and Mr. H. Wollman, of Shirley, a leading grower of violas and chrysanthemums.

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The Fur Wrap.



In advance of the snows, the early winter models showed an interested public what to wear smartly to its favourite club and theatre. The wrap which covers the frock of new lines and colours is important in the mode. It serves as the first glimpse of chic. It usually covers an ensemble of interesting lines and details.

The fur wrap is the acknowledged covering for formal occasions, and ermine, so becoming to youth and flattering to middle age, is again well in the front of the mode.

Lined on the newest wraps indicate that the dolman type will predominate. Pelt lie smoothly in diagonal lines and do not lend themselves to unusual patterns this winter. They possess a general appearance of simplicity despite the somewhat fuller lines forecast.

Ermine, always smart, when trimmed with white fox, is again a favourite medium for introducing youthful model. In wraps for women, the glossy black of the fox or Hudson seal is smartly combined and proves interesting. These wraps of black and white are very smart and generally find a lining of black velvet very effective.

The white fur wrap usually depends upon its lining for its colour appeal, and this year the gayer the colour the smarter will be the wrap. Spots are particularly attractive with the brilliancy of lace in red and silver, and a road of blue denim is often found effective. Canary yellow or orange are other favourites in the colours which find the newest appeal.

Dorothy Morris, on a recent trip to New York, during the filming of First Nations, "Subway Sodas," selected several smart wraps for the fall. One was a wrap from the picture, of all-white, in wide-around lines and is smartly trimmed with white fox for a collar and panel down the front. Lacquer red creates an interesting colour note in the lining.

A Paris message states that following the Catalan plot the Government has reinforced the military police on the Franco-Spanish frontier.

Charged at Hull with drunkenness George Drinkwater, labourer, asked for a chance to live in accordance with his name and, in reply to a question said he was not working.

The solicitors of the corporation announces that owing to differences British National Pictures have terminated Mr. J. D. Williams' agreement as managing director. Mr. Williams has issued a writ claiming damages for breach of contract.

Folkestone Town Council decided to grant licences to the omnibuses of the Co-operative Transport Society, which had been previously refused because of the society's failure to carry out their timetables on the routes during the general strike.

The Soviet press attaches great importance to the Kovno court-martial on four Communists and violently attacks this alleged political persecution. It foreshadows foreign political consequences. Meanwhile the Lithuanian Government denies the reported execution and states that the condemned received pardon in the last moment.

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The Daytime Mode.



The eye of Paris has taken in all the lovely designs of nature as well as patterns made conventional by man and the hand of Paris has turned them into fabrics for the winter mode with the greatest ease and versatility.

There appears in the new fabrics which will grace the smart new costumes patterns of intricate charm. They have taken to themselves the outlines of flowers, insects, birds, leaves, trees, cloud effects, and old chintz effects in their combinations. In the conventional patterns, herringbones for tweeds, odd dotted designs, squares, geometrical figures and criss-cross designs all are delightfully shown in new fabrics.

The daytime mode which leans towards sports occasions shows a decided tendency to place plaid in the foreground, with red predominating.

New versions of kashis, called kashimire, shikashis, pells-kashis, kashid, kashidouder and the very lovely valours kashis.

The new kashis fabrics lend themselves beautifully to the unusual patterns which are being featured.

Wool and silk mixtures are seen under many names and are particularly appealing. They are found in many

lovely patterns and will undoubtedly fashion many of the season's smartest gowns and coats.

Velours and velvets are much seen where the new fabrics are exhibited. Velvets will be much worn and they are particularly smart when combined with the flat crepes.

Crepe silks appear in many varieties and under many names. A few are crepelle, crepe marocain, and the sheer crepes.

Printed chiffon velvets, velvet brocades and other fabrics employing velvet make it clear that velvets play an extremely important part in the new mode. Velvetens, lustreless woolens, sporty woolen mixtures, silk crepes, woolen crepes and chintons and jumes all are seen in new roles and in new patterns to enliven the eye.

Mary Astor is seen wearing some lovely new winter fabrics in her latest First National film, "Forever Astor."

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Shanghai	Shantung				
Australia and Manila	Taipeig.				
Sunday					
Shanghai					
Monday					
Manila					
Shanghai & Europe via Siberia	Pr. Grant				
THURSDAY, JANUARY 13.	Tirpitz				
Straits					
Straits					
FRIDAY, JANUARY 14.	Tiaws				
Canada, U.S.A., Japan & Shanghai	Fooksang.				
TUESDAY, JANUARY 15.	Empress of Russia				
Shanghai					

OUTWARD MAIRS.

	SATURDAY, JANUARY 8.	SUNDAY, JANUARY 9.	MONDAY, JANUARY 10.	TUESDAY, JANUARY 11.	WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 12.
Straits	Tumaneo..... 1 p.m.				
Halibut	China..... 8.30 a.m.				
Shanghai	Luchow..... 8.30 p.m.				
Bacon	Prepar..... 8.30 p.m.				
Bacon	Principe..... 8.30 p.m.				
Port Bayard	Chungh..... 8 p.m.				
SUNDAY	JANUARY 9.				
Swatow, Amoy and Formos	Kaijo Maru..... 8.30 a.m.				
Port Bayard	Sung Kong..... 9 a.m.				
Swatow	Kantow..... 9 a.m.				
Amoy	Anhui..... 9 a.m.				
Swatow Amoy and Formos	Mandoo Maru..... 9 a.m.				
MONDAY	JANUARY 10.				
Swatow and Bangkok	Kaying..... 8.30 a.m.				
Manila	City of Spokane..... 10.30 a.m.				
Sandsakan	Lok Sun..... 12.30 p.m.				
Straits	Yuenyang..... 1.30 p.m.				
Manila & Parcels for Germany via Hamburg	Tirpitz..... 3.30 p.m.				
Amoy	Kinkang..... 6 p.m.				
TUESDAY	JANUARY 11.				
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Hatchong..... Noon				
Straits	Yuensang..... 1.30 p.m.				
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Sandsakan	Tsingtao..... 11.30 a.m.				
Swatow, Amoy and Formos	Tsingtao..... 11.30 a.m.				
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Salon	Tsingtao..... 11.30 a.m.				
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FRIDAY	JANUARY 14.				
Hollow & Hainhong	Hainhong..... Noon				
Japan	Mingkang..... 6 p.m.				
Shanghai	Tsingtao..... 6 p.m.				

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"UP TO" CHEN.

(Continued from Page 1.)

is added) no reason to suppose that the Canton Government, with the forces at its command, is unable to perform that imperative duty. If Mr. Chen and his associates are to justify their claim to be representative and a civilised administration, they must prove their instant readiness to perform one of the elementary functions of a civilised society by defending the lives and property of peaceable citizens whether "extra-territorialists" or not against murderous riots. Leaders, like Mr. Chen, must be acute enough to realise that without foreign trade conducted in circumstances of reasonable security, they will throttle "the goose that lays the golden eggs," and south-east China would be reduced economically to the status of a crude half-starved organism incapable of anything but slow, painful and laborious evolution from the beginning.—Reuter.

Mob Law at Kiukiang.

Shanghai, Jan. 7. A Hankow report states that 258 British women and children, also a few men, left for Shanghai early on Thursday morning.

At Kiukiang a riot on Thursday afternoon was directed against the Concession.

Chinese military and police arrived just in time to hold back the crowd. Later, the crowd broke in at the Bund gate but was prevented from entering the Concession. Now all is quiet.—Reuter.

Private Telegrams.

Hankow, Jan. 7. Private telegrams received in Shanghai state by arrangement with the Chinese military authorities, the British have resumed control of the Concession, and the Chinese soldiery, except the military police, have been withdrawn.

Not Confirmed. Shanghai, Jan. 7.

Advices said to have been received here privately from Hankow, to the effect that control of the Concession had been resumed by the British, are unconfirmed.

The latest naval wireless message from Hankow, dated yesterday night, states that the Concession is still in the hands of the Chinese military.

American women and children are now being evacuated.—Reuter.

Position in Szechuan.

Peking, Jan. 7. The evacuation of British men as well as women from Chengtu and elsewhere in Szechuan and other parts of Southern and Western China has begun in some places and all preparations therefor have been completed in others.

Altogether 80 American women and children have been evacuated at Hankow.—Reuter.

Sir Miles Lampson.

Peking, Dec. 30. It is reported in local Chinese circles that during his interview with Dr. Wellington Koo at the Waichiau on Tuesday afternoon, Sir Miles Lampson, the new British Minister to China, said he would not present his credentials until a Government with the support of a united China had been formed. The report appearing in this morning's vernacular papers that Sir Miles Lampson left a copy of his letter of credence in the Waichiau is unfounded.

He refers to the evacuation of women and children at Hankow says that it is unknown whether in the last resort, British evacuation from Shanghai is also contemplated; but if so, such evacuation would mean the end of British prestige in the Far East and be a ruinous blow to our commerce with China.—Reuter.

Sir Miles Lampson.

London, Jan. 7. The "Morning Post" gives prominence to a letter from Mr. Lee, Chairman of the London China Association, who calls attention to the enormous British interests in Shanghai, which, with the safety of some 7,000 British residents, will be gravely imperilled if the Cantonese capture Shanghai, unless adequate measures are taken for their protection.

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FRENCH COMMENTS.

Powers Urged to Defend Shanghai. Paris, Jan. 7. Most of the morning journals comment on Hankow.

"Pertinax," in the "Echo de Paris," writes that the Cantonese hitherto have confined their attentions to the British, but the principles they proclaim affect all foreign Powers without distinction, and it was only for real some of policy that they have so far respected the French and the Japanese concessions. He urges the Powers to defend Shanghai and the ports accessible to their warships, since trade with such centres develops in proportion as commerce becomes impossible in other parts of the country.

"Le Gaulois" is of opinion that disunion among the Powers at a critical time would be particularly regrettable for the opportunities that would thereby be given to the Soviets. It adds that Russian Bolshevism is doubtless without real influence, except in so far as to inflame Nationalist passions, but it will become a permanent danger to Europe unless the Powers agree on a common policy to check such anti-foreign frenzy.—Reuter.

No Fresh Incidents.

Rugby, Jan. 7. No fresh incidents are reported from Hankow, where the situation was yesterday described as quiet. The Chinese authorities have issued a proclamation guaranteeing the safety of British life and property. British warships under Rear-Admiral Cameron Commander of the British Yangtze flotilla, lie alongside the quays of the British Concession—British Wireless Service.

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